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<TEXT>I do not want to pay, nor do I think it is reasonable to even suggest that I pay more for my telephone service! Please reject the "flat fee" proposal to fund the Universal Service Fund. I am sure that I can make such payments if required, but at the sacrifice of some other necessity. I am an 80 year old veteran of WWII, partially disabled, and the amount I receive from the Government does not allow for such increased expenses.

It does not necessarily follow that taxing all telephone subscribers the same is democratic or even fair. People who make few long distance calls should not be asked pay the same as those who make many calls.

I use my wireless phone for safety, security and convenience. I do not want to lose these which are to me necessities.

Keep the USF as it is, Fair!

Sincerely,

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